Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 20 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 21 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 19 Apr 2023 at 12:09 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for dry and settled conditions for the rest of this week and for colder unsettled conditions from the weekend. Lower confidence for the detail of the associated showers.

Headline for Thursday 20 Apr 2023: Long sunny periods, dry. Feeling cold at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 20 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Thursday 20 Apr 2023

Weather: Some patchy overnight mist in glens, mainly across Caithness. Any early mist soon clears to leave long periods of sunshine.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 95%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with very little cloud expected.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	27/33 E	25/31 E	20/25 E	21/28 E	18/26 E	21/30 E	20/28 E	21/29 E	20/28 E
900	25/32 E	23/29 E	19/24 E	20/27 E	17/26 E	21/30 E	20/28 E	21/29 E	20/28 E
600	16/23 E	15/20 E	13/18 E	12/19 E	13/22 E	16/25 E	13/21 E	14/24 E	14/23 E
300	4/19 E	3/16 E	4/16 E	6/20 E	7/23 E	9/25 E	8/22 E	7/22 E	6/20 E
Glen	12/21 E	10/18 E	10/18 E	11/20 E	11/22 E	13/25 E	12/22 E	13/23 E	11/20 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-4	2/-4	2/-3	4/-2	5/1	6/1	5/-0	2/-3	1/-4
900	3/-3	2/-3	3/-2	4/-1	6/2	7/2	6/1	3/-2	2/-3
600	6/1	5/1	5/1	7/3	9/6	10/6	8/5	5/2	4/0
300	6/4	5/4	5/3	9/8	12/11	13/11	11/9	6/4	5/2
Glen	9/7	8/6	8/5	12/10	15/13	16/13	14/12	10/8	8/6
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1200m	1300m	1400m	1100m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Sunburn risk in mainly sunny conditions. Feeling cold in strong summit winds.

Forecast for Friday 21 Apr 2023
Weather: Overnight mist or fog patches in glens, mainly across Caithness, soon clear to leave a dry day with long sunny periods.

Maximum wind: East 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 95%

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility will be very good with early mist of fog patches clearing shortly after dawn.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius rising to 17 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: 1000m

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